Private Entertainments Numerous and Varied-Dr. McGuire's Lecture-Persoual Montion-Charities.

The Day Nursery and Free Kinder-garten comes for and with a pica for public interest in some sufstantial shape; as, for instance, each coal, wood, groceries, etc. Certainly no emphasis of the worth of the charity and the work it is doing ought to be necessary, and will not be so, we are since, in warm-hearted Richmend. The winter season is the dread of the poor, and this particular winter, with its accompaniment of hard times, has come with special severity into the homes of the Nursery's tiny professes.



Bishop and Mrs. John Brockenbrough

delightful course and Mr. Wise's personal popularity. As amounced, the hour for the lecture is 8:39 P. M.; place, the Hall of the Home of Delegates.

At 4 P. M., on Thursitay afterscon, the chaperones of the various dances in the approaching Kirmess met to consider the question of coatimes, etc., at the Virginia Hinterical Society's room. At 5 o'clock on the same afternoon the Souvenir Programme Committee also met to consider the test, etc. of the programme, which will be a heauty: a really artistic sonvenir of what will doubtless be the brilliant public entertainment of a gay season.

The dances and participants are as follows:

Japanese Court Dance: Chaperones—
Mrs. James Lyons, Mrs. W. James Walker, Mrs. W. Bryden Tennant. Dancers—
Effizabeth Grant Cameron, Katherine
Melntire, Anne Dent Dunlop, Rosing Mordeesi, Emete Pegram, Marion
West: Messrs. John Howard, Jr., Watkins Ellerson, W. W. Henry Tutwiler,
Otis M. Alfriend, Coatter Bryan Carmichael, Arthur Wiley Small,
Hichland Fling: Chaperone—Miss Mary Thaw. Dancers—Edith Taylor, Sophia
White, Fannie Mitteldorfer, Cora Younger, Macy Fleming, Lora Crump, Pase
Shelt-ourne, and Grace Woods.
Maypole: Chaperone—Mrs. John Lyons,
Dancers—Misses Anne McCaw, Evelyn
Gordon, Emily Addison, Ellen Ragby,
Chaire Beirie, Helera Lafroy, Adelaide
Watkims Messrs, Frank Potts, Cham,
Pleasants, Carlton and Julien McKenney,
Guy Davis, Lewis Judkins, and Vaughn.

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Tipsy Dance: Chaperones—Mrs. W. S.

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Charles O'Ferrall and Mrs. Charles O'Ferrall and Mrs. Charles Holling. Dancers. South White, Carrie Rennolds, Lizzle Hotchiels, Hattle Shields, Nannie Moutague, Parke Taylor, Mary Taylor, Mabel O'Ferrall, Alice Knight.

Taylor, Mabel O'Ferrall, Allee Knight, and Mary Moulton.
Indian Moon Dance: Chaperones—Mrs. B. R. Valentine and Mrs. Richard Meade; Dancers. Reien O'Ferrall, Ellie Carmichael, Ruth Robins, Flora Coneran, Resste Dunios, Anna Carr, Adair Minor, Sallie Hobson, Kate Michaux, Einel Slater, Pauline Powers, Binford, Hautie Tyler; Indian Princess, Miss Nins Ramdolph, Geartte Dance, Chaperones, Mrs. Au-

Indian Princess, Miss Nins Randolph, Spanish Dance: Chaperones—Mrs. Augustine Royali, Mrz. B. T. Owen, Mrs. Effeche Drewry, 'Mrs. Henry Vaden, Dancers, Mary Drewry, Carrie Vaden, Ella Mayo, Gertrude Websiger, Ellen Weisiger, Mildred L. Drewry, Miss Raleigh Green, Richmond T. Minor, D. L. Bruadnax, Lacy Fendley, William B. Cox, and Bernard Vaden, Ewedish Dance: Chaperon, Mrs. Wm. C. Bentley, Dancers, Marian Robins, Mary Rogers, Lucy Cocke, Mary Cox, Agues Chamberlayne, Mary Dimmock,

North German: Chaperones-Mrs. Mann S. Valentine, Mrs. D. Thomas, Mrs. E. V. Valentine, Mrs. John Purcell, and Mrs. Wm. T. Reed. Dancers-Meade Burwell, Adele Tyler, Mary Brook Harrisen, Mary Lucke, Mattle Purcell, Annie Guy, Messrs. Wm. Rogers. I. I. Vaughn, C. H. Jordan, Julien Binford, Joel Perfin, and Douglas Adair.

Little Japs: Chaperones-Mrs. Henry Williams. Dancers-Lilian Aikins, Anita



INDIAN MOON DANCER.
Cussons, Carlle Minor, Bessle Selden, Peacly Harrison, Nannie Selden, Anne Talbott, Lina Shields, Carrie Steger, Mattle Bowie, Louise McAdams, Lilian Binford, Claire Smith; Messra Maxwell, Wallace, Willy O'Ferrall, Warner Robins, Gordon Smith, Robert Danlop, Wilbur Crump, Henry Taylor, Graham Carmichael, Clifford Pollard, Bernard Poyton, Ramson Peyton, and Bradley Hossieux

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Mr. Joseph Myers, a young gentleman of prominence in the social circles of Savannah, Ga., will personate the Emperor of Japan, and Miss Irena Rosenhaum, the charming daughter of Mrs. Isabel M Rosenblaum, will personate the Empress.

Minuet: Chaperon—Mrs. Wm. Royall. Dancers—Miss Alys Connally, Mr. Alian Potts, Miss Mary Howard, Mr. G. B. Wall, Miss Mary Pace, Mr. Ned Christian Miss Ellen Hobson, Mr. G. Ben. Staoy, Miss Ellen Hobson, Mr. G. Ben. Staoy, Miss Haile Cooke, Mr. Preston Nowland, Miss Haile Cooke, Mr. Preston Nowland, Miss Haile Cooke, Mr. Joseph Anderson, Miss Virginia Hayes, Mr. James Rutherfoord, Miss Effic Cameron, Dr. Hobson, Miss Lucy Wormley, Mr. Adolphus Hair, Miss Delia Stringfellow, and Mr. P. Blackford.

Nile Worshippers: Chaperones—Mrs. O'Fe-rall, Mrs. Hotchkies, Mrs. Stephen Putney, and Mrs. Chas, Bolding, Dancers—Misses Carrie Coleman, Julia Lee, Mabel Todd, Salile Stokes, Margaret Stokes, Nelle Parker, Eva Bowe, —Smith, Hotchkies, Mary Hayes, Bettle Hayes, and Hallie Cooke.

Greek Dance: Chaperones—Mrs. E. A. Saunders, C. E. Smith, and S. W. Travers, Dancers—Miss Lluck Wormley, and Diana; Miss Nellie Parker leads; Misses Mary Saunders, Annie Merrill, Lucy Festram, Stanley Atkins, Maria Dunlop, Marianne Meade, Mary McCaw, Virginia McLeod, Judith Deane, Mary Binford, Delia Stringfellow, and Miss Williamson, of Frederick, Md.

For every vensors the Kirmest macagement expect to score a brilliant success. The rehearsals, under the able direction of Mr. Macdonnell, are going steadily on, and not the least factor in the cause is the extreme interest and pride shown by the dancers.

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Supper will be served after the performance on each alpht in the basement of the Academy, which is being put in order for the occasion, a new floor being laid and heaters put in. Parties wishing to give suppers to large parties can have tables reserved and be waited on immediately after the performance. The committee in charge would be obliged for donations from the friends of the A. P. V. A. The following ladies compose the committee: Mrs. J. Prosser Harrison tehairman, Mrs. J. D. Hotchkiss, Mrs. Lizzle Carey Daniel, Mrs. Mary E. Kellogg, Mrs. Maria Robinson, Mrs. W. H. Tyler, Mrs. Howson H. Wallace, Mrs. Charles Selden, Mrs. S. M. Wilson, Mrs. Grace Shields, Mrs. Willard Wright, Mrs. Grace Shields, Mrs. Willard Wright, Mrs.



NORTH COUNTRY GERMAN DANCER. Bentley, Kate Finney, Messrs, Robert Traylor, Gilmer Minor, Frank Picat, R. A. Lancaster, Williams, W. C. Bentley, Palmer Stacy, Phil. Cariton, Logan Wal-

ford. Some of the ladies of this committee will be at the Woman's Christian Association every day to attend to any business connected with the supper. Following are the prices of admission to the Kermess:

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Three boxes and two loges will be sold at auction at the Academy next Wednesday, the hour to be published later. Season tickets will be put on sale Thursday morning at 9 o'clock. No single tickets can be bought on that day. The regular sale of seats commences Friday. Special rates have been made on railroads. Half-rate tickets can be had from Norfolk, Newport News, Hampton, Old Point, Williamsburg, and Petersburg.

The Misses Carter, of Shirley, are the guests of Mrs. Robert Minor, 907 north Tenth street.

Rete Glasgow, Egherta Olcott; Messrs.

Pelham Blackford, Langhourne Williams,
Gus Drewry, Edward Scott, Edward Benson, Spotswood Weliford, J. W. Dawson,
and Rutherford Rose.

North German: Chaperones-Mrs. Mann
S. Valentine, Mrs. D. Thomas, Mrs. E.
V. Valentine, Mrs. D. Thomas, Mrs. E.
V. Valentine, Mrs. Dehn Purcell, and
Mrs. West Point, Tuxedo Park, New York,
and Philadelphia.
Dr. W. T. Howard, Jr., of Cleveland,
Ohlo, is visiting his father, Mr. John
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Miss Mary P. Miller, of Starnton, Valist the guest of Mrs. Henry Lae Valentine, 10 south Third street.

On Friday, Mrs. W. Bryden Tennant was quite severely hurned while attending to household duties. Much solicitude is felt regarding the charming little woman.

On Wednesday a meeting of "Daughters of the American Revolution" was held at the rooms of the Virginia Historical Society, which, during the past week, have been an animated and sarceable assurance that the good that meeting of the July Historical Society, which, during the past week, have been an animated and sarceable assurance that the good that would savered men to pay tribute to achievement through the medium of the A. P. V. A. the D. A. R. S. A. R. etc.

At the meeting of the Daughters, Miss Mary Lewis and Mrs. Strudwick were elected to vacancies caused by the resignation of Mrs. S. L. Purcell, Recording Secretary, and Mrs. Whitfield, Registrar, It was decided that the Old Dominion Chapter shall present its claims to Congress that all other Chapters may have the privilege of contributing to a fund for the preservation of Jamestown Island, in which not only bleast material times the action of Washington. In these material times have and virile past, and upon the occasion of this pilgrimage to Meant Vernon to pay tribute and the shrine of the Blustrious dead and add to their treasury.

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SPANISH WED DING DANCE.

Mrs. Caskie Cabell's "Current Events" class, conducted in the class-room of the Woman's Club, continues to attract the interest of at least a hundred of our thoughtful and cultured women. The

thoughtful and cultured women. The meeting last week was simply another testimonial to her intelligent study of the subjects she presents, her perception of what is important in current news, and her charm in presenting the result of the research to her auditones.

The situation in the Transward, the press of Germany and England in that connection; our national political outlook; the Sultan and the Red Cross; music, current literature, etc., made up a delightful programme. The next meeting of the class will be held at 11:50 octock, not 12.

The re-election by an overwhelming majority of Mrs. McKnight, as matron of the Woman's Christian Association, is a source of much satisfaction to her many friends.

On Tuesday evening, between the hours of a and II, about four hundred people responded to invitations sent out las, week by Mrs. Herbert A. Claiborne, to meet Mrs. J. Allston Cabell. Certainly none of the private entertainments of a very gay winter have been more elegant in all details or more thoroughly enjoyed, The entire house was thrown open to guests, and was a brilliant expression of fine taste and irresistive hospitality. The color of the decorations in the front parlor was pink, present in roses, lamps, slik hangings, etc.; in the rear parlor yallow flowers, lights, and satin draperies; in the library, where punch was served, pink, and in the disting room, deep and vivid red, accentuated and relieved by green—running cedar, etc.

Scarfs of red satin extend a from the chanteller to the inbic corners, and the table itself was a triumph of taste in its appointments, notable among which stood the silver representing the affluence of distinguished Virginia hostesses of a longgone past.

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The receiving party consisted of Mrs. H.
A. Claborne, Mrs. J. Allston Cabell, Mrs.
James Lyons, Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Jr.
Mrs. F. D. Steger, Mrs. Caskle Cabell,
and Mrs. John Lottier, Mrs. Claiborne,
the characteristic, of whose appearance
is a supreme and levely distinction, were
black crepe de chine, diamonds and
pearls. Her delicate tints and the light
in her hair shone vividly against the
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Mrs. J. Allston Cabell, in her wedding gown of white satin, with its rich lace trimmings, a superb diamond tiara in her hair, and shiring briliamity against throat and gown, was a most alluring person. Mrs. James Lyons wore a handsome gown of pink brocade: Mrs. F. D. Steger, yellow brocade and chiffon: Mrs. Caskie Cabell, black satin and face: Mrs. Tom Bolling, pale blue satin, pearls; Mrs. John Lottler, white and Iliac satin; Mrs.

Lattier served punch.

In the dining-room four charming girls, Misses Maria Dunlop, May Burnet Claiborne, of Petersburg; Louisa and Etlen Claiborne, of Richmond—did the honors. Miss Dunlop were striped satin and repe, violets; Miss Claiborne, of Petersburg; white satin and tulle; Louisa Claiborne, white china silk and chiffen; Ellen Claiborne, yellow china silk and satir ribbons.

Norfolk, Newport News, Hampton, Old Point, Williamsburg, and Fetersburg.

Miss Anastasia Howard is visiting her uncle, Dr. Howard, in Baltimore. She will spend the remainder of the winter lace collars, were even more fascinating

DING DANCE.

Jacknon Goy, Mrs. Rolfe Glover, Mr. and
Miss Gray, Mr. Philip Haxail, Mr. WilHam M. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph
Tatum, Dr. and Mrs. Wheat, Miss Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. Wheat, Miss Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs. John Lightfoot, Mr.
and Mrs. Paul Carrington, Mr. and Mrs. Robert
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the Misses Lancaster, Mr. Arthur M.
Seddon, Mr. and Mrs. Wyndham Meredith, Mr. and Mrs. John F. Goodson, Miss
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Brock, Dr. and Mrs. John Lancaster,
and Mrs. C. P. E. Burgwyn, Mr. and
Miss Cannon, Dr. and Mrs. Chalkley,
Mr. and Mrs. Dathuy Crensinaw.
Mrs. Ewing Eaches leaves on this coming Wednesday for Louisellie.

About the first of February, Miss Mary Stnart Hayes will leave for Chicago,

Miss Lella Tatum has returned from Washington.

The eard party given by the Misses Harris, to their guret, Miss James, was notable on the week's social programme.

On Friday evening Mr. James Pleas-ants entertained the Court of Appeals, seventy-five lawyer friends, and Rev. Dr. M. D. Hoge, at a very elegant sup-

Mrs. Bennehan Cameron, of North Carolina, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Mayo.

Mrs. James Pleasants entertained thirteen friends at lumbeon on Monday. Fashion says with truth that the diningroom of the Pleasants establishment is one of the most finely appointed in the city. On this occasion holly and American Beauty roses set off the beauty to which society is accustomed. Fashion also says, with truth, that Mrs. James Pleasants is one of the noblest, handsomesi, and most delightful women in the Commonwealth, and on this occasion sustained in charming fashion her reputation as an incomparable hostess. Her

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The paironesses present were Mra. Charles U. Williams, Mrs. Frank W. Christian, Mrs. Charles V. Carrington, Mrs. Allan Talbott, Mrs. Archer Anderson, Charles Ruffin, Misses Marion, Kate, and Jula Harris, Mary and Elsle Cameron, Juilth Deane, Mary McCaw, Mary and Kathleen Anderson, Maria Dunlep, Hallie and Rachel Cooke, Lucy Wormeley, Hattle and Fannie Ross, Claudia Palmer, Fannie and Annie McGuire, Callie Ryland, Maude Stringfellow, Ellen Holson, Annie and Leifa Gray, Mary Pace, Mabel Todd, Mary Saunders, Sallie Talbott, Ellie Williams, Bessle Pace, Rebe Giasgow, Nina Randolph, Lucy and Empsle Pogram, Marianne Meade, Berta Wellford, Marion Robins, Mabel Walker, Mary Binford, Lella Tatum, Helen Lea, Lottle Lambert, Mary Rogers, Mattle Purcell, Kate McIntire, Carrie Coleman, Strangers present: Misses Levering, Carpender, Brown, Lucy Cook, James Meade, and Barney. Some of the gentlemen were Messrs. Adelphus Blair, Frank Blankenship, Frank Potts, Charlie Williams, Philip Powers, Eddie Harrison, Eddie Robertson, Lewis Brander, Watkins Ellerson, Guy Davis, Randolph Carrington, George Refi, Ivey Arrington, Blair Stringfellow, Cham, Pleasants, Clifton Miller, Mayo Binford, Julian Binford, Otts Alfriend, Willie Hunt, Willis Mayo, Coleman Wortham, Paul Blanchard, James Valentine, Hugh Miller, John Blankenship, Harrison Bair, Lorraine Ruffin, Murray Dill, P. Blackford, John Currie, Fred L. Davidson, George Warren, Mr. Palne, Mr. Willard, and Mr. Fishburn, of Roanoke.

At the very animated and interesting meeting of the Sketch Club at Miss Adels

On Wednesday evening, Miss Kellogs, of Roanoke, a very charming niece of Judgo Staples, who is spending the winter at Miss Norwood's north Firth, entertained the "Whist" Club at progressive euchre. The prizes and winners were as follows:

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First prize—A pair of silver seissors,
Miss Kizzle Drewry; a silver hat brish,
Mr. Randolph; the convolution "Dream
Life," by Iks Marvel, Miss Mordecal.

Among other gusels who enjoyed Miss
Kellong's very delightful hospitally were
Misses Lina and Louise Mayo, Mary
Lewis, May Jones, Ellie and Elizabeth
Fisher, Alice DeLancy Archer, Goodwin;
Messes, John Young, Eddio Mayo, Sam
Lewis, Long, of Yale, Dr. Robinson, and
Mr. Harvey.

Mrs. Stephen Putney entertained the participants in her Kermess dance, and other friends very enjoyably on Thurs-

ton, Texas, a very charming woman, is now at Mrs. Chase Morton's, 216 Main street, west, where she will spend the winter.

Monday, the 19th, is down upon ed soldier and stainless gentleman, Robert E. Lee, it was decided to pay tribute
to him along with that to the past of
the State generally, and to do so as informally as possible. With this in view
the following programme was prepared
by Mrs. E. R. Ball, chalman for the
evening, and brilliantly carried out by
those whose names are given.

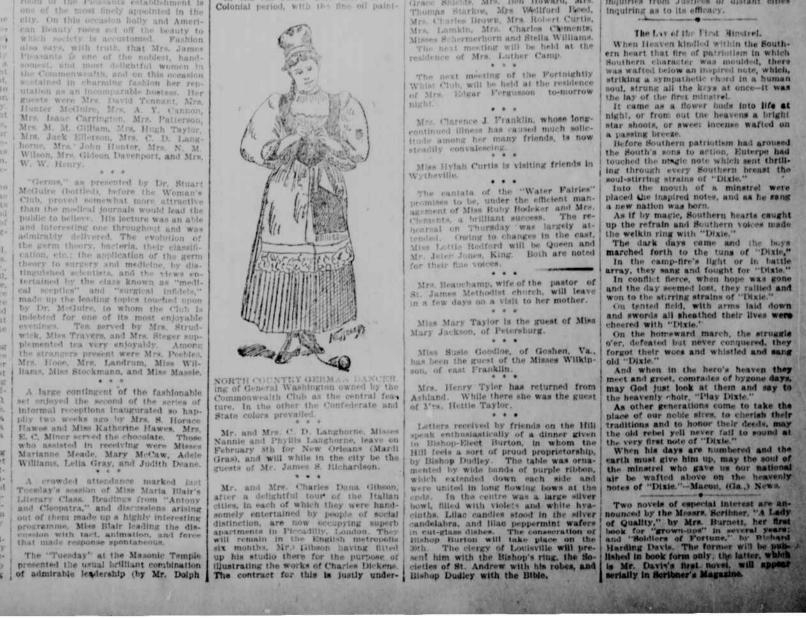
"The Statesmen of Virginia," an original and fine paper written and read by
Mrs. John Enders Robinson.

"Heroes of Virginia," Mrs. Lyon Tyler;
Ode, "Westward Ho!" (Jamestown), by
Mr. Charles Washington Coloman;
"Tribute to Commedore Maury," Miss
Maria Blair and a splendid tribute it
was).

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Under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. William L. Sheppard, the club rooms were decorated with suggestive reference to the character of the mosting, presenting a brilliant and hospitable appearance to the many who called.

In one the colors were those of the Colonial period, with the fine oil paint-



stood to be the highest possible tribute to Mr. Dana's genius as an artist. Mrs. Gibson, as we knew she would, has won her way into all hearts.

Miss Mabet Davidson, of Washington, D. C., will be the guest of Miss Edwards, 106 west Grace, after Thursday.

Mrs. Edward Mayo's entertainment of the Chaing-Dish Club was delightful, its characteristic being the utmost informality and simplicity.

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A unique entertainment will be given by the Woman's Auxiliary of All Saints church, on Tuesday, April 7th. The countries to be represented are Scotland, England, Holland, France, Spain, Turkey, Japan, Sweden, and Russia. Delicacles peculiar to each country will be served by young ladies in costume.

On Chursday nigot, Miss Irene Winston gave a very enjoyable leap-year "Cohweb party" at her home, No. 33 west Grace street. The prize-winners were: Mr. Long, a silver hat-brush, who presented it to Miss Warwick; Mr. Mosby, the compatition, prize Among these sented it to Miss Warwick, Mr. Mosby, the consolation prize. Among those present were the Misses Warwick, of Henderson, North Carolina, and Misses Alice Cowardin, Gussie Bodcker, Lily Wood, Mary Ferkins, Blanche Redford, Julia Ryland, Marsie Knowies, Natalie Worsham, Irene Winston, and Messrs, Long, August, Ingalls, Crenshaw, Sadler, C. Ryland, Mosby, Brunder, Worsham, Garnett, Ragland, Harwood, Penick, Childrey, Tillman of Georgia, and J. Ryland.

The Hill had a brilliant "day after the inceed, anything so unwholesome as ex-citement ever intrudes upon its quiet and wholesome neighborhood.

Owing to Illness Mrs. Caskie Cabell was unable to meet the members of her "Current Events" Class.

St. John's Circle of King's Daughters held an interesting meeting at the home of Mrs. Stephen T. Beveridge on Monday. of Mrs. Slephen T. Beveridge on Monday, at which 32 was voted to the ald of special poor reported by individual members, and a decision was reached to give a tea for the benefit of the Hill's poor in general, shortly. This is one of the local circles of King's Daughters, which contributes a monthly to the Sheltering-Arms Hospital, in addition to a vast amount of these and presented good liere were pital, in addition to a vast amount of other and unrecorded good. Here were present at last Monday's meeting, Mrs. D. C. Richardson, Mrs. F. J. Craigie, Mrs. Grace Shields, Mrs. Ben Howard, Mrs. Thomas Starkes, Mrs. Weilford Reed, Mrs. Charles Brown, Mrs. Robert Curtis, Mrs. Lamkin, Mrs. Charles Clements, Misses Schermerborn and Stella Williams. The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mrs. Luther Camp.

Judge Morrison's Drink Cure.

A Rockford special to the Chicago Re-

A Rockford special to the Chicago Record says:

Police Magistrate L. L. Morrison, of this city, runs the most unique "justice mill" in the State, having for sight verse conducted a court on the principle that horse sense is better than straight law.

As a humorist and satirist, Justice Morrison has given his court a reputation that is more than local. It is a reformer, however, that he has set an example that is being followed in many small places throughout the country.

In Rockford, as is most small cities, the majority of police court habituse are individuals who are slaves to drink habit. The ordinary way of dealing with such persons has been to dismiss them with a curt "ten days," but Justice Morrison found that this could be improved upon in a city of the size of Rockford. Men who provided for their families when not drunk have been forced to leave wife and children to starve, when committed to lail, or cles their release was been by get in general the should have been seen in

children to starve, when committed to jail, or else their release has been by get by money that should have been spent in buying necessaries of life.

Justice Morrison, listead of fining these men or committing them to jail, releases them upon condition that they report at Police Headquarters three times a day. Every morning, noon, and night the victim is compelled to report at headquarters, sign his name on a book, and submit his breath to the nose of an officer capable of telling the smell of alcohol at forty rods. If the victim has lapsed into his old habits he is committed and compelled to work out his fine.

On being first brought up for a hearing he is given his alternative between making these reports or of beins committed to jail, and of course he takes the former course. As a result nearly all the inebriates of Rockford have had a long session of reporting, with the most beneficial results. They have rarely lapsed into their old habits while reporting to the police. Several small towns in the State have already adonted the Morrison reporting plan, and the Judge receives many inquiries from Justices of distant cities inquiring as to its efficacy.

The Lay of the Piest Minstrel.